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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,

applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the following documents:

Foreign Patent Documents

(August 30, 1985) Soviet Union Patent No. 1 175 592 A European Pat. Off. Publ'n. No. 0 372 360 A2 (June 13, 1990) European Pat. Off. Publ'n. No. 0 548 859 Al (June 30, 1993) Copies of the aforementioned patent documents, which are listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (submitted in duplicate), are enclosed herewith.

These documents were cited in a European Patent Office Search Report (copy enclosed) in connection with a European counterpart of the above-identified U.S. patent application.

It is respectfully requested that these patents be (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent that may issue from this application. Applicants also request that a copy of enclosed Form PTO-1449, as considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.

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Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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